

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 138459

17

ORIGIN AF-18

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 NEA-14 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07

H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01

SP-03 SS-20 USIA-15 SCCT-02 IO-14 SY-04 SAB-01 SAM-01

/154 R

DRAFTED BY AF/E:RFSMITH:SM X23040

APPROVED BY AF:DBEASUM

AF/E:WBCOOTE

----- 045459

R 270121Z JUN 74

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 138459

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PINS, SU

SUBJECT. BSO TERRORISTS

1. IN ABSENCE OF SUDANESE AMBASSADOR, WHO HOSPITALIZED FOR CHECK-UP, ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM CALLED IN RANKING SUDANESE EMBASSY OFFICER ON JUNE 25 TO PRESENT US VIEW OF GOS DECISION ON BSO TERRORISTS. EASUM READ PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED ON JUNE 25, STRESSING THAT ITS INTENT WAS TO SHOW USG'S CONCERN AND DISMAY AT PRESIDENT NIMEIRI'S DECISION, PARTICULARLY SINCE IT WAS AT SUCH VARIANCE WITH WHAT WE HAD BEEN TOLD BY HIGH SUDANESE OFFICIALS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT NIMEIRI. HE STATED THAT USG WOULD BE OBLIGED TO TAKE A CAREFUL LOOK AT EFFECT OF THIS ACTION ON BILATERAL RELATIONS. HE REQUESTED THAT USG VIEWS AND REACTION BE BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF SUDANESE AMBASSADOR AND OF GOS.

2. IN RESPONSE TO SUDANESE EMBOFF'S QUERY AS TO WHETHER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 138459

MR- EASUM WAS FAMILIAR WITH GOS STATEMENT, MR. EASUM

REPLIED THAT HE CONSIDERED IT FULL OF SOPHISTRY. HE SAID THAT USG CANNOT EQUATE MURDER OF AMERICAN DIPLOMATS WITH RECIPROCAL ACTIONS WHICH OCCUR BETWEEN PALESTINIANS AND ISRAELIS.

3. SUDANESE EMBOFF MADE TWO POINTS: (A) THAT RELEASE DID NOT CONDONE TERRORIST ACTION; (B) THAT GOS VIEWS THE ACTION AS POLITICAL, NOT CRIMINAL. HE STATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT UNLESS THERE IS A SETTLEMENT OF THE ENTIRE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM, PUNISHMENT OF INDIVIDUAL GUERRILLAS WOULD NOT END TERRORISM.

4. AS DISCUSSION CONCLUDED, EASUM HANDED SUDANESE EMBOFF COPY OF PRESS STATEMENT AND REITERATED THAT US AMBASSADOR HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO TELL GOS HE HAS BEEN RECALLED FOR CONSULTATIONS.

5. SUDANESE EMBOFF SAID HE WOULD CONVEY SUBSTANCE DEMARCHE TO AMBASSADOR AND TO GOS. SISCO

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PARAMILITARY FORCES, PRISONERS RELEASE, TRIALS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 27 JUN 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974STATE138459
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: RFSMITH:SM X23040
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740169-0717
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t1974068/aaaaagav.tel
Line Count: 80
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN AF
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 APR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <05 APR 2002 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <18 JUN 2002 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: BSO TERRORISTS
TAGS: PINS, SU, US, BSO
To: KHARTOUM
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005